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SECRET TREATIES DOOMED.

LABOUR'S NEW POLICY.

ALL NEW PACTS TO BE TABLED.
OPPORTUNITY FOR DISCUSSION.

LETTING THE NATION KNOW WHERE IT STANDS.

(Reuter's General Service.)

LONDON, April 1.
The Government's intention to carry out the Labour policy of no secret treaties was announced by Mr. Arthur Ponsonby, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in moving the second reading of the Treaty of Peace with Turkey Bill.

He urged the passage of the Bill so as to allow ratification of the Treaty without delay.

The Government desired renewal of normal Anglo-Turkish relations as early as possible.

The Government intended to lay every Treaty, when signed on the table in both Houses 21 days before ratification.

The publication of important treaties would be discussed if desired; thus secret treaties would be impossible. (Ministerial cheers.)

The Government would also inform the House of all agreements and understandings which might in any way bind the nation to specific action in certain circumstances.

Mr. MacDonald, replying to criticisms of the treaty, declared there was much in it with which everybody disagreed, but it must be ratified otherwise there was not going to be an end to the state of war.

He stated that the Dominions and India had agreed to ratification.

The debate was adjourned until next week.

LATEST LABOUR TROUBLE.

SHIPYARD LOCK-OUT IMMINENT.

UNOFFICIAL STRIKE OUTCOME.

LONDON, April 1.

The shipbuilders have declared a lock-out as from April 10, of members of all Unions whose Southampton members do not resume by April 8.

The Shipbuilding employers have decided upon a national lock-out in shipyards affecting over 100,000 men as the striking engineers at Southampton have refused to resume work pending discussion with a view to settlement. The engineers at Southampton are demanding an increase of 17s. 6d. a week to bring them into line with London dock workers.

BRITAIN'S BUDGET.

COUNTRY'S FINANCES SOUND.

EXAMPLE FOR EUROPE.

LONDON, April 1.

In the House of Commons Mr. Philip Snowden, Chancellor of the Exchequer, announced that the Budget would be presented on April 29.

[The fact that the natural accounts for the year ended Monday show a surplus of £48,000,000 instead of £2,000,000, for which Mr. Baldwin budgeted, constitutes a striking contrast against the deficits of our Continental neighbours and confirms the sound state of the country's finances. The surplus goes automatically to reduction of debt, which, in view of the budgetary debt provision of £40,000,000 will be thereby reduced by £38,000,000. Revenue exceeded the Budget estimates by £18,000,000, in spite of the fact that the Excess Profits Duty, which was estimated to yield £12,000,000 failed to contribute a single penny. The fact that the yield from all other taxation items exceeded Treasury anticipations suggests that trade conditions are not so bad as the financial experts expected them to be. The expenditure showed a reduction of nearly £28,000,000 on the Estimates, the fighting forces recording a saving of £16,000,000, and the civil services over £12,000,000.]

SINCLAIR DENIES CONTEMPT.

(Reuter's American Service.)

WASHINGTON, April 1.

The oil magnate Sinclair pleaded not guilty to contempt of court and furnished a bond of \$5,000.

[Sinclair when called upon by the Senate oil committee to give evidence regarding the Teapot Dome leases said he preferred to reserve his testimony for the courts.]

WIRELESS SCHOOL.

CHANCE FOR CHINESE.

The Director of the Technical Institute (Mr. E. Ralph) has towards for publication details of the "Taikoo Wireless Telegraphy School," from which it appears that classes for training Chinese as wireless operators will begin at the Institute about the end of April.

The classes will be under the control of the Wireless Instructor appointed by the China Navigation Co., Ltd. and "British born" Chinese of 18 to 21 years of age, recommended by the Education Department as being up to the required standard as regards knowledge of English and general education, are eligible to join.

Students are to undertake to join the service of the China Navigation Co., Ltd. (Messrs. Butterfield & Swire) or the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. (Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd.) as Wireless Telegraph Operators on 3 years' agreement, immediately after passing the prescribed examination.

The rate of pay will be—\$60 per month during the first year, \$70 per month during the second year, \$80 per month during the third year.

Candidates are requested to forward their names to the Director of

the Technical Institute (Education Department), giving particulars as to age, school career, with copies of certificates obtained, and copies of testimonials as to character and ability.

Washington, April 1.—The Senate finance committee has unanimously approved the proposed 25 per cent. reduction in income taxes payable during the current year.—Reuter.

Tehran, April 1.—The Premier has issued a proclamation declaring a Republic, contrary to the Islamic religion, prohibiting all mention of the subject under threat of penalties.—Reuter.

UNRULY STRIKERS.

EMPIRE EXHIBITION INCIDENTS.

WHOLESALE INTIMIDATION.

LONDON, April 1.

During their march through the Wembley grounds the strikers met opposition in the Lurma section. Eventually they forced the workers to down tools by throwing stones.

The strikers threatened to pull girl art students down from the scaffolding unless they ceased work. The girls finally consented to cease work although they protested that they were in no way connected with the strike.

[Work at the British Empire Exhibition is almost paralysed, the building strikers marching round the grounds stopping everything.]

POLICE TO HELP.

LONDON, April 1.

The Exhibition authorities anticipate that many strikers who are idle through intimidation will return to-morrow when five hundred police will be drafted to Wembley to protect willing workers.

OPENING TO TIME.

LONDON, April 2.

In the House of Commons, on the motion for adjournment, Mr. Sassoon deplored the strike at Wembley which he had learned would inevitably delay the opening of the Exhibition and severely condemned the action of the strikers which he declared was an insult to the Empire.

Mr. J. M. Thomas, Minister of Colonies, strongly contradicted the statement that the Exhibition would not open to time.

ACQUITTAL A DISGRACE!

LUDEENDORFF FEELS INSULTED.

TREASON TRIAL OUTBURST.

MUNICH, April 1.

Ludendorff was acquitted and von Hitler sentenced to five years' detention in a fortress.

LATER.

The sentences virtually amount to an acquittal since the period of detention has been deducted. The closing scenes of the trial were marked by fervent outbursts on the part of Ludendorff to which the spectators responded enthusiastically.

Ludendorff rose when the verdict announced and protested that his acquittal when his colleagues were convicted was an insult to his uniform.

The President of the Court sharply rebuked the General, who again became violently excited and demanded to be arrested when the police tried to remove him quietly through the courtyard.

[The court was packed to suffocation when the sentences were read. Many were unable to gain admission. Ludendorff was in the full uniform of a General, and some of the other accused persons were also in uniform, wearing all their War medals and decorations. The verdict was received quietly by the public but the accused, especially Ludendorff, were loudly cheered by crowds outside. Poehner, Kriebel, and Weber were also sentenced to five years' detention in a fortress. The accused were ordered to pay costs, and a fine of two hundred gold marks. The prisoners will be conditionally released after six months. The costs of the case as regards Ludendorff will be borne by the State. The other accused people, Frisk, Roehm, Brueckner, Wagner, and Pernert were sentenced to fifteen months' detention in a fortress, and payment of costs with fines of one hundred gold marks; but they will be released immediately on an undertaking of good behaviour until April 1, 1928.]

PERFECTLY CLEAR HORIZON.

ANGLO-AMERICAN RELATIONS.

LAST CLOUD CLEARED AWAY.

LONDON, April 1.

Every cloud respecting British and American relations has been removed by the settlement of the long standing dispute in regard to the American consulate at Newcastle where two consuls were deprived of their exequaturs on the ground that they used their official position to further the interests of American trade.

Details of the settlement have not yet been officially announced but there is reason to believe that the consuls will be free to go wherever their Government chooses to send them.

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Shimodayuku Ryukaboro, from

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Marques Queen's Road, from Kobe.

Shiyoiki Nipponosaki, from Kurama

Sankyoku, from Osaka.

3293, from Shanghai.

Kuan Koo, from Amoy.

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Chan Hong Ho Yee Fong Wing Shing

Street, from Paris.

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Causeway Bay, from Shanghai.

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E. V. JESSEN,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, 20th March, 1924.

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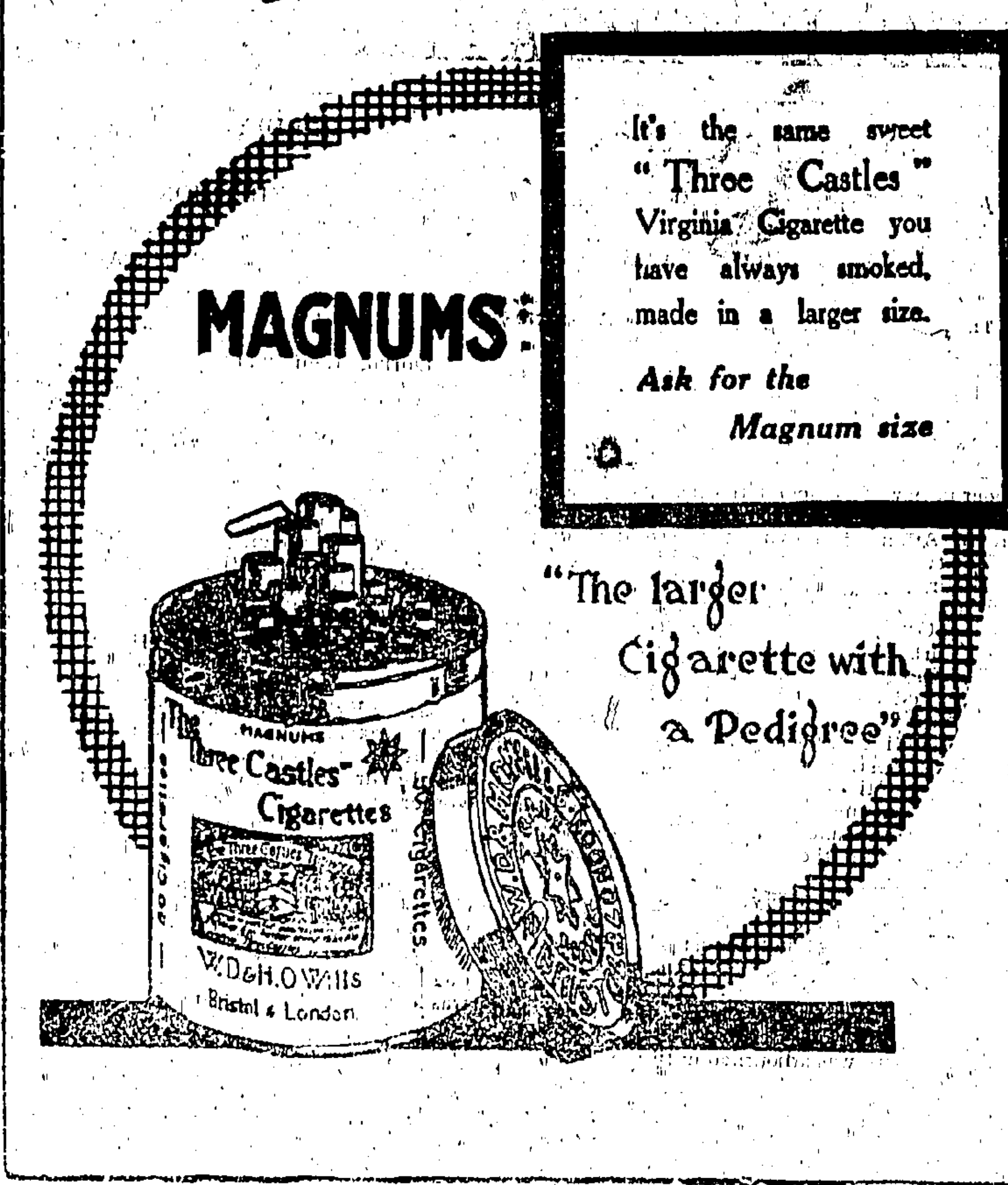
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The Curse of Cairo.

The occult world is watching with intense interest the developments around the tomb of Tutankhamen. Those who have studied deeply the mysterious lore of old Egypt are well aware that the intense horror of the ancient people of the Nile of anything in the shape of disturbance of the dead led them to hedge the tombs with all sorts of rites of magic, which we may laugh at to-day—or believe, according to our temperament. I know of a very learned antiquarian, who is also an occult student, who wrote to Lord Carnarvon some time before the untimely death of that nobleman, begging him to give up the work, as otherwise it would certainly bring disaster upon him. Now there has broken out the present strife, which is being curiously magnified by the native population of Cairo and Luxor, and it cannot be denied that the opening of the tomb has caused much bitterness among them. They are again talking of the "curse" of Tutankhamen, and how it will work its baleful spell on all who have assisted to open the tomb.

The Harem Curtain.

So the red curtain is to go—that interesting feature of the tram-cars of Constantinople (observes the Daily Chronicle). Of red serge, bound with leather, it hangs from a sliding bar, so that it can be moved backwards or forwards by the conductor to divide the car into two compartments. If no Moslem women are present the curtain may be temporarily out of action, but as soon as a dark swathed figure in a mashlak or at charsham appears, a sort of general post takes place. The men hurriedly vacate the front

rows of seats, and the conductor makes haste to pull the curtain and partition off the front part of the car for the Moslem lady's benefit. It is this curtain which the Turkish authorities now propose to abolish, on the ground that it harbours disease germs—and Turkish women are in future to occupy the two front rows of seats unless they are travelling with their husbands. The change is not so revolutionary as it sounds. The harem curtain, though drawn never so close, cannot be taken very seriously while passengers, male and female, enter and alight through the front of the car. The conductor, too, passes freely everywhere, and many an old Turkish woman will try to drive a bargain with him over the tram fare, in the intervals of rolling tobacco into cigarettes. We Englishwomen can, if we wish, sit behind the sacred curtain, but the privilege does not carry with it any advantages of quiet and seclusion. Sometimes one enters into what looks like a foot ball scam until it resolves itself into a parting, seated crowd of all nationalities, the Turks distinguished by their dark wrappings, and children dressed like any others except that the little Turkish boys wear fezes, and the little girls are often dressed in a more brilliant pink than Europe seems to know. Perhaps half of the Turks present will have unveiled faces, although after the fall of Smyrna the covered face came temporarily into greater vogue, as rumours reached Constantinople of the strict views of Mustafa Kemal.

The Stay-at-Home Girl.

Why, because I work at home, am I expected to do all the left-over jobs? If no one cares to cut the grass, then it's my work. When the boys leave things lying about somebody says, "What a litter the place is in!" and looks at me. Nobody says when a thing's mislaid. "Now, where can I have left it?" They always call, "Nancy, where did you put—?" And however frantically the telephone bell rings, so long as I'm in the house everyone else sits tight. If there's a wedding or a funeral or a difficult situation, the family says, "Nancy must write them a nice letter."

It isn't that I mind cleaning out the birdcage or taking the dog for a run, or keeping the seedlings watered, and running round the house to shut other people's windows when it rains. What I do mind is being expected to do it all ways.

And when they say, "Nancy has plenty of time—she's at home all day"—well, that, so to speak, touches the spot.—The Star.

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The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 4th to the 10th April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
S. COURTNEY COOK,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 27th March, 1924.

OFFICIAL NOTICE.

PROPOSAL TO CHANGE
A SHIP'S NAME.

WE, THE SHUN TAI S.S. CO. (HONGKONG) LTD. of 114, Wing Lok Street, Hongkong, hereby give notice that in consequence of change of Ownership, we have applied to the Board of Trade, under Section 47 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, in respect of the ship "NIPST" of Manila, Official number 153537 of gross tonnage 2163.19 tons, register tonnage 1295.77 tons, heretofore owned by MADRIGAL & CO. of Manila for the permission to change her name to "BORNEO" and to have her registered in the new name at the Port of Hongkong as owned by THE SHUN TAI S.S. CO. (HONGKONG) LTD.

Any objections to the proposed change of name must be sent to the Registrar of Shipping at Hongkong, within seven days from the appearance of this advertisement.

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(Signed) PANG KOKSUI,
Secretary.

PUBLIC DINNER

to
Mr. William Ross-Davies, K.C.

It is proposed that a dinner should be given by the Foreign Community in honour of the departing Chief Justice at the Hong Kong Hotel, on Saturday, 12th April, at 8 p.m.

Gentlemen wishing to be present should notify on or before 10th April, their intention to Colonel Robertson, Hong Kong Club, who will supply all particulars.

Hongkong, 22nd March, 1924.

NOTICE.

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MR. G. P. CURRY having retired from the Company's service on completion of his agreement, notice is hereby given that Mr. L. J. BLACKBURN, the Resident Engineer, has been appointed, as from this date, to hold all powers pertaining to the office of Local Secretary.

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Hongkong, 31st March, 1924.

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Hongkong, 31st March, 1924.

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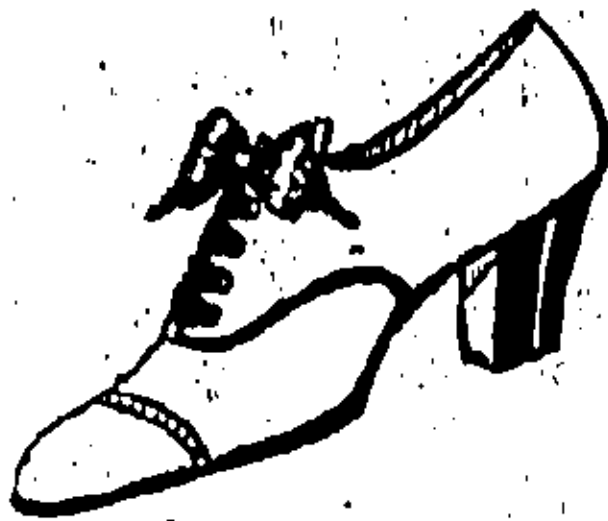
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MAIL WEEK NEWS.

ITEMS FROM FAR AND
NEAR.

Gravesend residents are very
indignant with the local justices
for deciding that all dances in
public halls shall cease at 11 p.m.

A small box of English-grown
strawberries reached Covent
Garden market, and the fruit was
sold for £2 8s. a pound.

Mr. Walsh, Secretary of State
for War, visited the Royal Arsenal
at Woolwich and saw the men at
work in the various departments.

The Lord Privy Seal, Mr. J. R.
Clynes, has appointed Mr. Arthur
Hayday, M.P. for West Nottingham,
to be his parliamentary
private secretary (unpaid).

For the first time "Hamlet" will
be produced by a university
dramatic society when the Oxford
University Dramatic Society play
it at Oxford.

A young man smashed a side
window of Messrs. J. W. Robertson
and Company's shop at 91,
Aldersgate-street, E.C., snatched
a diamond ring valued at £100,
and escaped.

Fulham Council has appointed a
sub-committee to conduct a ballot
for selecting local teams to play
on the public cricket pitches, as
the applicants outnumber by near-
ly four times the available pitches.

Keeping her promise to revisit a
Brooklyn grocery store she robbed
three weeks ago, New York's
tobacco-hair bandit drove up in a
motor-car and kept watch
while male confederates stole
another \$50.

The Duke of York made his first
acquaintance with an up-to-date
bacon factory run on Danish lines
when he inspected the plant at
Kidlington, Oxfordshire, estab-
lished as a result of the co-operative
effort.

Reports received in London of
the weather conditions prevailing
at the French winter sports resorts
show that the snow is 4 feet deep
at Megève and Mont-Revard, and
the weather is fine at Cautelets
and Font-Romeu.

At a Camberwell inquest on
William Bugby, 73, of Sumner-
road, Peckham, a Camberwell
Vestry pensioner, who died of
starvation, it was stated that £432
in securities, bonds, and Treasury
notes was found in his house.

The American Ambassador and
Mrs. Kellogg were present, and
the King, the Prince of Wales,
Queen Alexandra, and the British
Government were represented at a
service in memory of ex-President
Wilson at St. Margaret's, West-
minster.

At the Old Bailey Maurice
Friend, 29, of no occupation, who
held a commission during the war,
was sentenced to nine months' im-
prisonment for fraudulently con-
verting jewellery, the property of
Mme. Olga Serck, whom he met
at an hotel.

With a bottle of lysol beside
him, Mr. Arthur George Hall, 54,
assistant clerk to the Brighton
Guardians, was found dead in a
clump of bushes in Stenden-
road, Brighton. Nearly 6ft. 4in. in
height, he was the tallest man in
Brighton.

Mr. Noyes, secretary of the
London Master Bakers' Protection
Association, said his association
had decided to increase the price
of bread by 72d. a lb. loaf (from
8d. to 8½d.) and that the increase
would come into operation in a few
days.

Born in Jersey on February 7,
1824, Mrs. Jefferys, a doctor's
widow, of Park Hill, Q.W.,
Dartmouth, celebrated her hundredth
birthday and received letters of
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CROPS AND THEIR
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The exotic tide of the orange
season is now nearly at its height
in Valencia. The crop is a record
one. Some 4,500,000,000 oranges
will be shipped to add a
touch of southern sunlight to
British tables between now and
Easter.

It is true, of course, that many
people have made fortunes in the
orange trade, but many others have
lost fabulous sums in it. Few
Englishmen have any idea of the
amount of hard and constant work
and the high intelligence required
to cultivate this vast winter gar-
den of eastern Spain (says a writer
in the Star).

As the rows of trees cross
each other, interlacing their
lower branches in an inter-
minable tangled jungle which
prevents the passage of all
agricultural machinery and horse
ploughs, the ground has to be
broken up by hand implements,
wielded by labourers working al-
ways in an irksome, stooping
position. Watering, manuring,
weed-burning, and pruning have
also to be done in this primitive
way. Then, after six months' toil,
when the hoped-for fruit is borne
at last in the one bearing season
of the year, spring-like weather is
required to save it from ruin.

The first season of the orange
business in Spain lasts only from
the onset of the winter until
Christmas or the end of the year.
The second season, now in full
swing, begins on Twelfth Night
and lasts until Easter or spring
time.

THE GOLDEN HARVEST.
Throughout the winter the ports
of Castellón, Sagunto, Valencia,
and Gandia and the flat and open
shores of Burriana and Moncofca
(where the oranges are still carried

to the waiting ships by the
primitive system of row boats)
send out more than 300,000 large
cases of oranges and more than
9,000,000 half cases, most of them
to England.

Especially in Valencia, where
the majority of the oranges are
exported, the busy season con-
tinues throughout the winter and
spring. Then Valencia resembles
one vast fruit bazaar.

The same feverish activity goes
on in the groves where the fruit is
gathered, in the warehouses where
it is packed, at all the railway
stations, in the villages, and along
all the picturesque Valencia
highways.

I climbed the rickety tower of
the belfry of the old Moorish
church at Villareal, and watched
the sun set like a gigantic symbol
of our orchards into the velvet
green bosom of the plains of
Castellón. Beyond the immediate
roofs below there were orange
groves, nothing but orange groves,
as far as the eye could reach. And
I wondered, watching this romantic
scene, how many people in Eng-
land when they cut a Spanish
orange in half to eat it ever think
about anything more than its
sweetness and the number of its
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'PIRACY NERVES.'

LATEST HARBOUR SCARE.

CHEUNG CHAU FERRY INCIDENT.

Foggy Weather Delays Launch.

With half the Colony suffering from "piracy nerves," it was not to be wondered at that there was another "scare" at the water-front this morning when a ferry launch was reported overdue.

The affair developed to a stage when news reached the Police. Inquiries were at once set on foot but very shortly afterwards, it was discovered that nothing was amiss. All that had actually happened was that while the complement of the steam-launch ferry "Cheung Chow" were blissfully ignorant of what was going on at the Hongkong wharf, their attention being concentrated on making a way through the dense fog, the longshoremen had worked themselves into a fine frenzy over the launch's non-appearance.

Every morning the ferry leaves Cheung Chau island at 3.30. No passengers other than "Kai-fongs," i.e., community elders, and people guaranteed by chopos are accepted for this journey, although the next trip brings the foreign residents to office.

This morning the launch started as usual with a cargo comprising salt-fish and cabbage. With the commodore department, the crew numbered twenty-one. Fog

was encountered almost on leaving the wharf and then commenced the tedious "tooting" across to Hongkong.

Ordinarily, it would take an hour to get across. Before 4.40, over a hundred coolies had gathered at the Praya to discharge the cargo. By 5.50 there were no signs of the launch. Whispers of "piracy" got around until somebody took it into his head to advise the police. At 6.15 the launch turned up. Those on board wanted to know what all the fuss was about. Explanations were given and accepted. The coolies worked as fast as possible so that the launch could leave Hongkong at 7.30 and get back to Cheung Chau by 8.30 when the Europeans would be waiting to get to town.

What undoubtedly aggravated the matter was the recent piracy of the "Lee Fat" a launch chartered to augment the Hongkong-Cheung Chau ferry service. Some of those kidnapped for ransom are said to have returned whilst there are others still reported missing.

WEATHER REPORTS.

SHANGHAI PAPER'S COMMENT.

Reuter tells us, says "Shipping & Engineering" (Shanghai), that at the annual meeting of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce on March 24 "the Chairman, referring to the storm signal service, urged very close co-operation between Hongkong and Sincawei. He said that months had gone by and nothing seemed to have been done."

To be more accurate, exactly a year has passed with nothing apparently having been done, despite the fact that at the last annual meeting of the same body, the matter was brought forward in a manner which, it seemed at the time, could not well be ignored. Possibly it has not been ignored, as so little of public interest appears to be made public at Hongkong till the latest possible date, but in a matter such as this, so vitally important, both in its bearing on safe navigation and the safety of thousands of lives, it hardly seems possible that any important measures could have been taken without a little of what was transpiring becoming known. Let us refer to the speech of the Chairman at the annual meeting of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, held in March, 1923. On the subject of typhoon warnings, he said:

"Arising out of an investigation into the loss of the 'Choy-sang,' Mr. Robert Sutherland made a valuable report to the Chamber on the subject of typhoon warnings. The Committee, after full consideration of this report, requested the government to institute a full enquiry into the present system of compiling weather reports. Opportunity was taken at the same time to press once more for the establishment of a wireless and observing station on the Pratas Shoal, which, by reason of its position, would give Hongkong early information of inestimable value regarding the approach of a typhoon. The Pratas Shoal belongs to China, and it is hoped that arrangements can be made whereby the Chinese Maritime Customs will provide an observing station there, as part of their lighthouse system.

"The investigations into the question of typhoon warnings, which are still proceeding, lead inevitably to the conclusion—I quote from our report—that such modern inventions as wireless have not been made available to meteorological stations to anything like the extent that they should be." Your Committee has urged upon the Hongkong Government the desirability of going into the question most thoroughly and has suggested that information be collated from all observatories situated within the typhoon area, and co-operation with the powers concerned, so that all the resources of modern science and every means humanly possible be adopted to improve the system of locating the track of typhoons.

"The object aimed at is the extended use of wireless for transmitting as well as receiving messages, so that those engaged in the difficult task of forecasting

the course of storms may be put in possession of all available data at the earliest possible moment.

In view of the sensible and reasonable nature of these recommendations, it would be almost unbelievable that the Hongkong Government had (apparently) done nothing in the matter if we had not word to that effect from the Chairman of the very body that submitted the recommendations. We know, everyone knows, that Sincawei is always ready and anxious to do anything or to enter into any arrangement that will result in more extensive and more accurate weather forecasts being made available to China Coast shipping, and the reason the Hongkong Government has presumably done nothing evidently is known only to the members of that Government. The enquiry suggested by the Chamber has not been held (if it has been, it has been kept wonderfully secret); nothing appears to have been done in the matter of Pratas Shoal, despite the fact that the Inspector General of the Chinese Maritime Customs, Sir Francis Aglen, is known to view the proposal favourably; and apparently nothing has been done to bring about more co-operation and coordination between Hongkong on the one part, and Sincawei and other highly important and highly efficient meteorological stations in the Far East, on the other. And so, with another typhoon season almost on us, nothing further has been done to remove some of the many dangers that beset the China Coast vessel—in which connection collated weather reports sent out and received by wireless could and would play a paramount part.

TOOK THE FINE?

CHARGE AGAINST COURT HABITUÉ.

Those whose business takes them to the Police Court daily will have recently noticed a Chinese youth who sometimes don's a boy scout's uniform and on other occasions, is dressed in European clothing. This morning a few observant ones saw him taken into custody and bundled off to the Criminal Intelligence Department.

He is said to have been accused of receiving a sum of about \$3 yesterday, which was intended as a fine. What led to the discovery was the return this morning of the man who claims to have paid the fine for a friend. On being questioned as to his re-appearance, the man gave explanations, leading to the youth's detention.

When our reporter left, the youth had been taken to the charge-room where a detective stood guard over him.

This morning, a Chinese man was charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell with soliciting for prostitution. Evidence was given by Sergeant Hallam as to being accosted while riding in a ricksha and dressed in blue dungarees, in Vanchai last night after which His Worship sentenced the man to six weeks' hard labour.

TO VISIT HONGKONG.

GOVERNOR-GENERAL OF INDO-CHINA.

ON WAY TO TOKIO.

PARIS, April 1.

The impending official visit by M. Merlin, the Governor-General of Indo-China, to Tokyo, is described by the *Depeche du Toulouse* as a highly important political event in respect of drawing together France and Japan. The writer hopes that the visit will mark the end of the system of separate interests in the Far East, and will be the beginning of a co-operation which will be profitable to French prestige and interests.

The Governor-General is expected to visit Hongkong on his way to Tokyo, a *China Mail* representative was informed this morning. The French Consul-General stated that so far he had received no communication regarding the visit of M. Merlin, but it was probable that on the journey to Tokyo, he would call at this Colony.

"SOLD A PUP."

OWNER LET DOWN BY CONTRACTOR.

"You were sold a pup," remarked Mr. E. W. Hamilton to the owner of No. 57, Queen's Road Central, who appeared at the Police Court this morning to answer a summons by the Public Works Department for divergence from plans submitted and approved.

Defendant's plea was that he left everything in his contractor's hands and the latter was responsible. This occasioned the remark from the Magistrate who advised defendant to deduct the fine from the contractor's bill. Defendant replied that he had paid the full amount last year.

Evidence was given by Mr. F. C. Neville, overseer that an illegal flag had been objected to by the Fire Brigade authorities.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$50. An order was made for the fine to be removed and the plans to be complied with in fourteen days.

DISTINGUISHED VISITOR COMING.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SINGAPORE, April 2.

Sir Rabinadrath Tagore left for Hongkong to-day on board the "Atsuta Maru."

HELLO CHINA!

CHICAGO'S VOICE ON THE WIRELESS.

PEKING, March 25. Speakers and singers in Chicago will try to convey their voices to China on March 30, next Sunday, and all who are possessed of radio sets may listen in. The test in long distance radio transmission is being arranged by the Chicago "Tribune," and Mr. Charles Duiley, the special correspondent of that paper in the Far East, has been informed of the effort to reach Japan and China and of the details that will be of interest to students and others possessing radio outfits.

It has been arranged that the signals shall be sent from The "Tribune's" zenith wireless broadcasting station on the top of the Edge-water Beach Hotel in Chicago, the signal of which is WJAZ. These signals will begin at 5 o'clock in the morning of March 30, which will be 7 o'clock Sunday evening in Peking. Owners of radio sets in China might well be listening a few minutes before that hour, in order to allow for variation of watches. The calls will be sent on a wave-length of 144 metres and instruments should be turned to that length.

Mr. Duiley has been advised by The "Tribune" that an extra effort will be made to transmit a speaking and musical programme for the benefit of radio enthusiasts in the Orient. The programme will continue for three hours, during all of which time it should be possible to hear it if the radio outfits are turned to 448 metres. Anyone picking up WJAZ signal is requested to communicate with Mr. Duiley by telephone at the Wagons-Lits Hotel as soon as possible after the call has been identified, reporting what they have been able to hear, in order that he may cable The "Tribune" that night if Chicago's voices have been heard in China. Owners of sets are urged to communicate with Mr. Duiley by Thursday evening as to arrangements made and where they will endeavour to "listen in."

If the experiment is a success other concerts may be given.

London, April 1.—The political observer of the *Daily Telegraph* professes to discern some recent movement in political circles in Japan, owing to Mr. Macdonald, in his statements with regard to disarmament, not mentioning Japan among the Powers, which should issue invitations to a general conference. He declares the Japanese certainly will not sincerely co-operate in any international move wherein they have not been allotted a position due to their preponderant influence in the East.—*Reuter*.

MIKE McTIQUE DEFEATED.



Jersey City, April 1.—Young Stribling outpointed Mike McTigue in a twelve round no-decision contest. The championship is not involved.—*Reuter's American Service*.

STUDENTS' CONFERENCE.

HONGKONG UNIVERSITY INVITED.

EXPENSES TOO HIGH.

An invitation to send a representative to the Imperial Students' Conference to be held at London in July has been received by the Hongkong University. The conference is being organised by the National Union of Students who are inviting one student from each University in the Empire to spend a week in London, visiting the British Empire Exhibition previous to opening the conference.

A letter received by Mr. N. Teesdale Mackintosh, Registrar of the Hongkong University states:

At a recently held meeting of the Council of the National Union of Students, it was decided to organise if possible, an Imperial Students' Conference in 1924, advantage being taken of the fact that numbers of students from various parts of the Empire may be expected to visit the British Empire Exhibition.

Therefore, I should be glad if you would inform me if it is possible for your Union or Students' Council to be represented. A date suggested is during the first or second week in July.

The students of this country are very keen on the idea, and to facilitate matter, we are approaching the Shipping Companies with a view to their granting a limited number of free passages to representative students from each country of the Empire with reduced fares for others. Should we obtain this concession the rest should be plain sailing, but for the present I cannot give definite information.

The general outline of the programme suggested is as follows:—

(a) Reception. Inaugural Session and Entertainment in London including organised visits to the British Empire Exhibition.

(b) Conference. Discussions of matters of student interest and importance probably in one of the Oxford Colleges.

Other suggestions will no doubt be made as time goes on. In the meantime, I should be glad to hear definitely from you as to the opinion of your Committee.

The letter addressed from the Imperial College Union, S. Kensington S.W. is signed by Francis G. Connor, Hon. Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Teesdale Mackintosh informs the *China Mail*, that he has no information as to the free passage suggested in the letter and even so the cost of incidental and living expenses would be probably far greater than any of the Hongkong University students would care to meet.

KOWLOON'S THEATRE.

SEVERAL NOTABLE ATTRACTIONS.

To-night Kowloon folk have their last opportunity of seeing the excellent double programme which the Star Theatre is offering with Peter the Great, world's champion strong man, and a charming new British film named "The Call of Youth". Peter has already won so many further by his amazing feats of strength that it is unnecessary to dilate further on his prowess. "The Call of Youth," written by one of Britain's leading dramatic authors and acted by well-known London stage figures, is a love romance, presenting besides an excellent story some delightful glimpses of beautiful Homeland scenery, including Devonshire, where the lovers have their trying place.

To-morrow night in the Star Theatre, the Hongkong Philharmonic Society's chorus and orchestra will give their grand concert, and judging from the fine success this achieved when presented in the Theatre Royal, recently, there should be a record attendance. Booking is at Moutrie's and at the Star Theatre.

WHO'S WHO.

LATEST CHINA COAST CHANGES.

Mr. A. Stephenson, second officer, "Suiyang," is on reserve. Mr. J. A. C. Dalton, from reserve, has gone second officer, "Suiyang". Mr. R. K. Burns, second engineer, "Shuntien," has gone second engineer, "Sunning".

Mr. R. J. T. Hopkins, from leave, has gone chief officer, "Waishing". Mr. W. A. Bulch, chief officer, "Waishing," is on reserve.

Mr. K. Stewart has been appointed second officer, "Luenho". Mr. T. Wilkinson, second officer, "Luenho," has gone supply second officer, "Fausang".

Mr. J. Pittendrigh, from leave, has gone second officer, "Fausang". Mr. W. P. McAllen, second officer, "Fausang," has resigned.

Mr. J. Gow has been appointed third officer, "Chunsang". Mr. B. G. Woodford, third officer, "Chunsang," has gone second officer, "Foushing". Mr. W. James, second officer, "Foushing," is on reserve.

Mr. N. Richardson, from reserve, has gone supply second officer, "Mingsang". Mr. H. H. Penthum, second officer, "Taksang," has gone second officer, "Suisang". Mr. D. Jones, second officer, "Suisang," has gone second officer, "Taksang".

Mr. G. Porterfield, second engineer, "Kingsing," is on reserve. Mr. A. S. Fraser, from reserve, has gone second engineer, "Kingsing". Mr. H. H. Finch, from reserve, has gone second officer, "Nairung". Mr. E. P. Smith, second officer, "Frangestan," has gone chief officer, "Nairung".

Mr. K. L. Fitzgerald, chief officer, "Nairung," has gone chief officer, "Frangestan". Mr. G. P. Francis, acting chief officer, "Frangestan," has gone second officer, same ship.

Mr. R. Kentall, from reserve, has gone third officer, "Haiching". Mr. J. H. Telfers, third officer, "Haiching," is on reserve.

Mr. A. Allan, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Gorgistan". Mr. T. L. Brown, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Anjon".

Mr. A. W. Best, chief officer, "Anjon," is on reserve.—(*Shipping and Engineering*).

TENNIS TOURNAY.

Both ladies played well in yesterday's Mixed Doubles match between R. E. Worthington and Miss Grace v. P. A. Redmond and Mrs. E. J. R. Mitchell, when the former pair won by two sets to one after some exhilarating tennis.

Worthington was not playing up to form in the first set in which Mrs. Mitchell won many points by her back-hand drives. He improved as the match progressed and was ably supported by Miss Grace. Redmond at times was quite up to his best and he played a good all-round game. In the third set the winners led 5-4 but the losing pair had the score 40-15. However, they could not make it 5-4 and lost the game, set and match.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS.
Handicap Singles "A"—R. M. Henderson (+5/6) beat D. S. Green (+3/6), 6-1, 6-4.
Handicap Singles "B"—Woodward (+1/6) beat C. M. Wilson (+1/6), 6-3, 6-3.

Mixed Doubles.—R. E. Worthington and Miss P. Grace (+30) beat P. A. Redmond and Mrs. Mitchell (+5/6), 3-6, 6-3, 6-4.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES.
Open Singles.—Mr. Bze-kwong v. T. Honde (stand court); D. J. Allfree v. S. H. Inall.
Handicap Singles "A"—R. E. Worthington (+15/3) v. G. W. E. Sewell (+3/6).
Handicap Singles "B"—A. H. Penn (+1/6) v. G. D. Jillings (+2/6).

FOOTBALL.

CLUB'S MATCH TO-DAY.

Yesterday it was announced that owing to there being a shield match on Saturday the H.K.F.C. were to play off their league fixture with H.M.S. "Despatch" this afternoon at 5.15. As the "Despatch" has left port, the match will be played with the H.K. Police.

BILLIARDS TOURNAY.

S. C. KWOK v. P. S. LEONG.

At the V.R.C. last night the second round in the open billiards championship was commenced when S.C. Kwok met P.S. Leong, the former winning by 800 points to 762. The best breaks were: Kwok—36, 30, 35, 30, 28, 25 (twice), and 22 (three times); Leong—43 (twice), 33, 27, 25, 23, 22 and 20.

To-night R. Luz is down to meet E. D. da Rosa when another good game should be seen.

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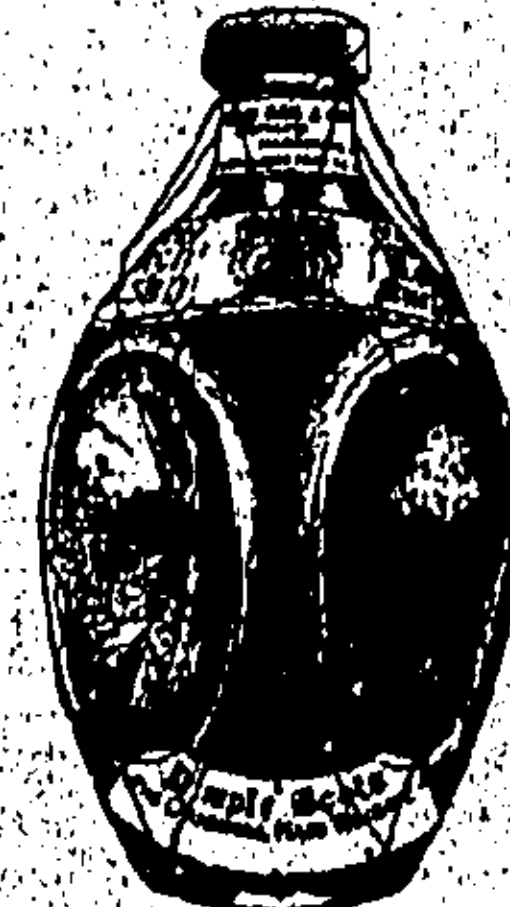
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COMMERCE AND FINANCE.

COMPANY REPORT.

ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD.

The report of the Board of Directors to be presented at the second ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders is as follows:

Your Directors herewith submit a Statement of Accounts and Balance Sheet for the half-year ended on December 31, 1923.

After winding off \$14,388.09 for depreciation, which is charged in the Working Account, the Profit and Loss Account for the half-year shows a credit balance of \$12,481.07. The adverse balance of \$17,246.25 as on June 30, 1923, is therefore reduced to \$34,737.41, which amount is proposed to carry forward to next year.

The estimated value, on December 31, of Works in Progress on that date as shown by the Balance Sheet amounted to \$605,097.51. In arriving at this figure, credit has been taken for a proportion of the estimated profits on certain contracts, pending completion, but in the case of one contract, which is not expected to cover expenses, the value has been written down accordingly.

Directors.—Mr. J. H. Taggart, resigned from the Board on February 8 last, and the vacancy has not yet been filled. The Hon. Sir C. Paul Chater and Mr. J. Scott Harrison retire by rotation and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—The Accounts for the half-year have been audited by Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews, Chartered Accountants, who, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

The report is signed by Mr. Robt. Sheehan as Chairman.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

In addition to the quotations given on page 11 as usual, the following should be noted:—

Hongkong Stock Exchange:—Ropes ex rights ex bonus \$24½ nominal, rights \$3 prem. buy. Bonus shares \$24½ nominal. Hongkong Developments \$1.20 buyers \$1¼ sales. China Buses \$10¼ buyers.

NAM PAK HONG MARKET.

This morning's Nam Pak Hong quotations for "spot" goods, basic usual guild terms, were as follows:—

Java sugar, average quality per picul net:—No. 21 rough white \$14.04, No. 24 fine white \$15.15, No. 18 rough brown \$13.10, Java brown \$12.50.

Rice, average quality, per picul gross for net:—No. 1 Siam long white \$8.00, No. 1 Siam long white \$7.60.

Flour, per sack of 50 lbs:—White Greens \$2.60, Nutmeg Orange \$2.65, Sperry's XXX \$3.48, Kingfisher \$2.82, Maize \$2.52, Big Gun \$2.75, Globe \$2.50, Old Mill \$2.50, Reinder \$2.55, Melon \$2.55, White Rose \$2.50, C. & C. \$2.65, Dayton \$2.57, Banana \$2.50, Kwai Tao \$2.48.

FRANCE'S HIGH RECORD.

LONDON, April 1. French francs touched the year's high record of 75/70. The Belgian recovery was still greater, to 90/50.—Reuter.

SILK.

The Silk shipped per s.s. "President Grant", which sailed from this port on March 5 at 10 a.m., arrived in New York on March 29 at 1 a.m., having been 231 calendar days in transit.

DIVIDEND ANNOUNCEMENT.

Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews advise that the annual gen-

TRADE MARKS.

PATENTS IN CHINA.

TICKETISH PROBLEMS FOR MANCHESTER.

For more than twenty years Manchester shippers engaged in the China trade have exercised their wits to devise some method of protecting their trade marks and "chops" in China, says a Manchester Guardian writer. From time to time publicity has been given to scandals arising out of the deliberate "pimping" of Manchester "chops" by firms of other nationality, and it is the difficulty of getting the Treaty Powers to agree which prevented the long-drawn-out negotiations from bearing fruit.

In May, 1923, the Chinese Government took action into its own hands and promulgated a law which established a Chinese Bureau of Trade Marks, free from any supervision of nationality. Firms who wished to protect their trade marks were required to register them with the Bureau within a period of six months from the promulgation of the law on May 23. After the lapse of that period the use of an unregistered mark was accompanied by heavy penalties, rising to penal servitude, though it was not clear how the Chinese Government could apply such penalties to foreigners subject only to the jurisdiction of their own courts.

As long as the Peking Government remained without any authority over the rest of the country little notice was taken of the law, and the original period of grace had already elapsed before traders in Shanghai and in Manchester realised that failure to register their "chops" with the new Bureau made it impossible for these same "chops" to be registered by other firms, and thus a firm which had spent decades in establishing the good repute of its own commodities might find that its use of its own trade marks was illegal.

The Manchester Chamber of Commerce immediately got into touch with the Foreign Office, which called a conference of the British trade associations affected. No decision has yet been arrived at, pending the negotiations now proceeding between the British Embassy in Peking and the Chinese Government, but the fact that shipping-houses have been advised not to rush in and register their "chops" is taken to imply that the Embassy is confident of its ability to obtain in extension of the period of grace. Some concessions in the shape of the admission of foreign advice in the operation of the law are also expected, and it is to be hoped that a settlement agreeable to all parties will be speedily obtained.

The law relating to trade marks has naturally no reference to patents, but the rise of the Chinese engineering industry makes it essential that the Treaty Powers should now turn their attention to the adequate protection of patents in China. A glaring case of "patent-snatching" has been brought to the attention of the "M.G.C." this week by the Youton Openers, Limited, of Manchester. Some time ago their agents in China arranged that one of their cotton-opening machines should be set up for purposes of exhibition in a Chinese cotton mill. The result of this exhibition is that a Chinese firm of textile mechanists is able to vaunt its success in constructing "cotton-opening machinery of the Youton (sic) type." The Chinese engineers at the head of this firm have been trained in Fall River, Oldham, and Europe. Their knowledge of the specifications of the Youton opener may come from their European experience or from the machine exhibited in China. H.M. Commercial Secretary in China and the Shanghai Chamber of Commerce have been placed in possession of the facts, but it is not anticipated that any redress will be obtainable.

PEKING'S BANDITS.

ROB SHOP AT PISTOL'S POINT.

PEKING, March 25.

On Monday night several bandits in military costume came into a cigarette shop at the An-lingmen street under the pretence of exchanging copper cash, and pointed their revolvers at the shop-keeper, who was compelled to hand over to them \$50 banknotes, \$5 silver and \$5.50 in ten cent pieces.

Although the frequency of robbery has been due to the poverty of the people, those who have the control of the men in military costume must be held responsible.

At the annual meeting of the Automobile Club of China held at Shanghai yesterday, states a Daily Bulletin cable, the Chairman, referring to the serious traffic problem, advocated the provision of a huge garage with numerous floors and elevators for "parking," and also the introduction of one-way traffic.

Annual meeting of the Gula Kalumpung Rubber Estates, Ltd., will be held in London on April 8. The Share Register will be closed from Monday, March 24, 1924 to Friday, April 11, 1924, both days inclusive.

The balance sheet of profit and loss account is £56,676 15s. 4d., from which it is proposed to pay a dividend of 2/- on fully paid shares, and 6d. on partly paid shares, less income-tax at the rate of 4/7½ in the pound, subject to confirmation at the annual general meeting, to all shareholders registered on April 6 and bonus coupons No. 21, dividend payable on and after April 15.

It is proposed to carry to Reserve Fund £10,000, and to carry forward £12,941 10s. 0d.

JAPANESE TRADE RETURNS.

TOKIO, March 20.

During the six months since the earthquake Japan's imports of commodities specially exempted from duty have totalled ¥317,388,000 according to statistics published by the Department of Finance.

The imports of such goods during February totalled ¥91,441,000, which is 32 per cent. of the gross imports for the month.

The following are the figures, classified by commodities:—

	Feb.	Sept.
Rice and paddy rice	3,275 20,741	
Wheat	20,090 45,321	
Beans and peas	7,394 24,749	
Provisions	410 2,860	
Condensed milk	1,201 3,667	
Benzene	500 6,446	
Cotton yarns	935 3,716	
Woolen yarns	5,680 38,940	
Cotton textiles	1,000 4,553	
Woolen clothes	7,650 25,064	
Glass	1,344 5,014	
Iron and steel	25,111 75,642	
Iron nails	2,143 6,818	
Rails	1,325 5,769	
Building materials	688 2,438	

KELANTAN GOLD MINES.

The directors of the Kelantan Gold Mines, Ltd., regret to inform the shareholders and the public that they have recently received news of the company's property and mines in Kelantan which leads them to believe that the reports made by Mr. Rook-Cowell when consulting engineer to the company, and also after he was made the manager of the company's property, will need reconsideration.

In December last the directors heard indirectly that all things were not well at the mine, and after making enquiries they came to the conclusion that it would be wise to obtain an independent report upon the mines and management.

This report has not been placed in the directors' hands, but the directors expect to receive it within a few days and a general meeting of the shareholders will then be called and the facts as known to the directors will be laid before the shareholders.

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Hongkong, 1st April, 1924.

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NOTICE OF MEETING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Seventeenth Ordinary Annual Meeting of the Company will be held at the Company's Office, 8, Queen's Road Central on FRIDAY the 11th April 1924 at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1923, and of electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 5th to the 11th April 1924, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
O. BOND,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1924.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that FRANK RONALD SMYTH has as from the First day of April One thousand nine hundred and twenty four been admitted as a partner in the firm of Vernon and Smyth carrying on business as share-brokers at 4A Des Voeux Road Central Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong and that the firm of which the partners now are ROBERT THOMAS MATHEWSON and FRANK RONALD SMYTH will continue to carry on business as heretofore under the style of "Vernon and Smyth."

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Entries close on Saturday 5th April 1924.

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All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 18th inst. or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 8th inst. at 10 a.m. by our surveyors Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DODWELL & CO., LTD.

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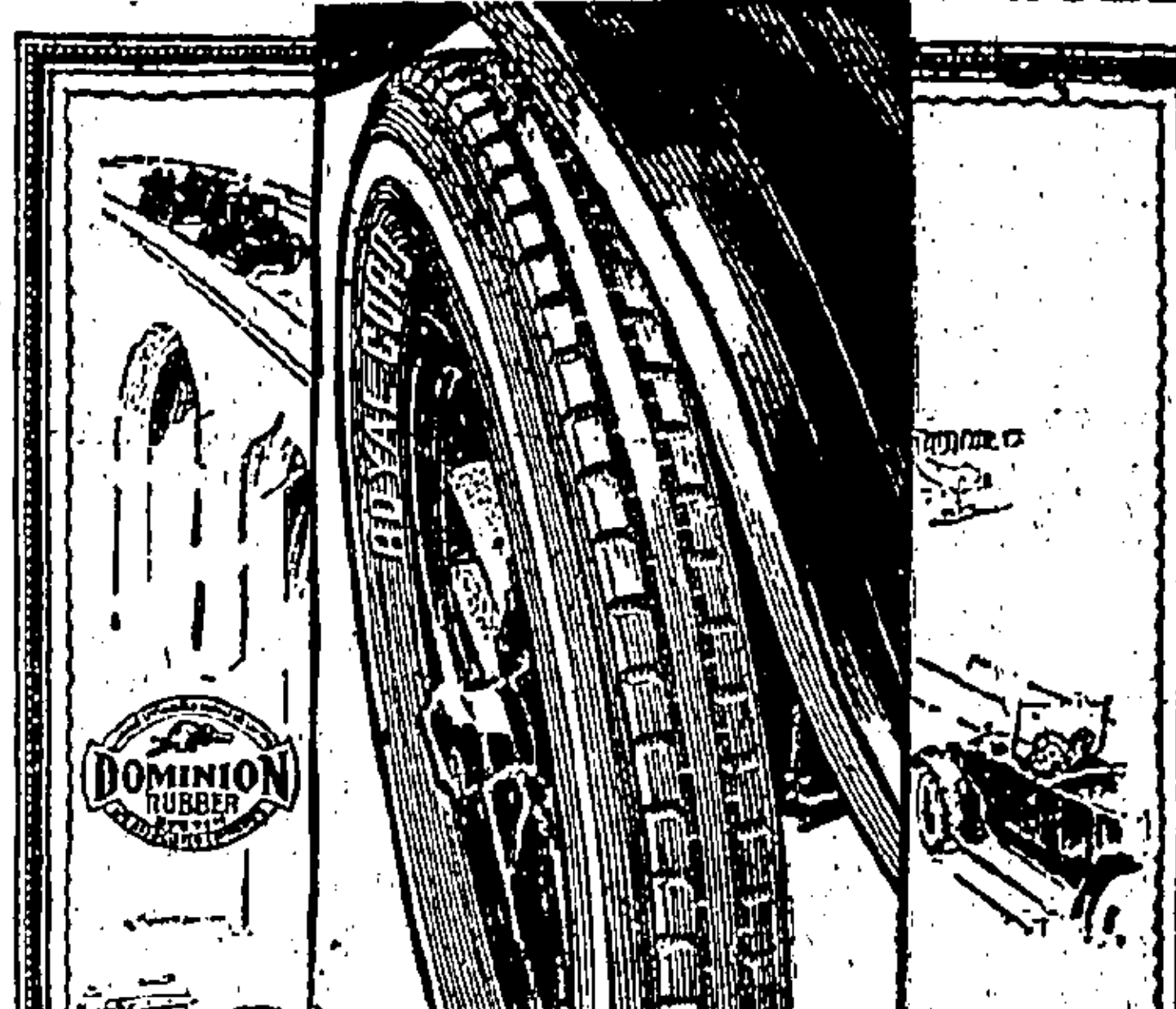
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Mr. Arthur Ponsonby, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, who has announced Labour's policy of no secret treaties.

**Philip Snowden**

Mr. Philip Snowden, Britain's Chancellor of the Exchequer, who is introducing his budget in the House of Commons on April 29.

**Dr. Wilhelm Marx**

Dr. Marx, Chancellor of Germany, who has declared that victory for the Nationalist movement in the elections would ruin Germany.



Mr. Edward B. McLean, well-known publisher of Washington, who was called by the Senate Oil Committee regarding the so-called "million-dollar slush fund."



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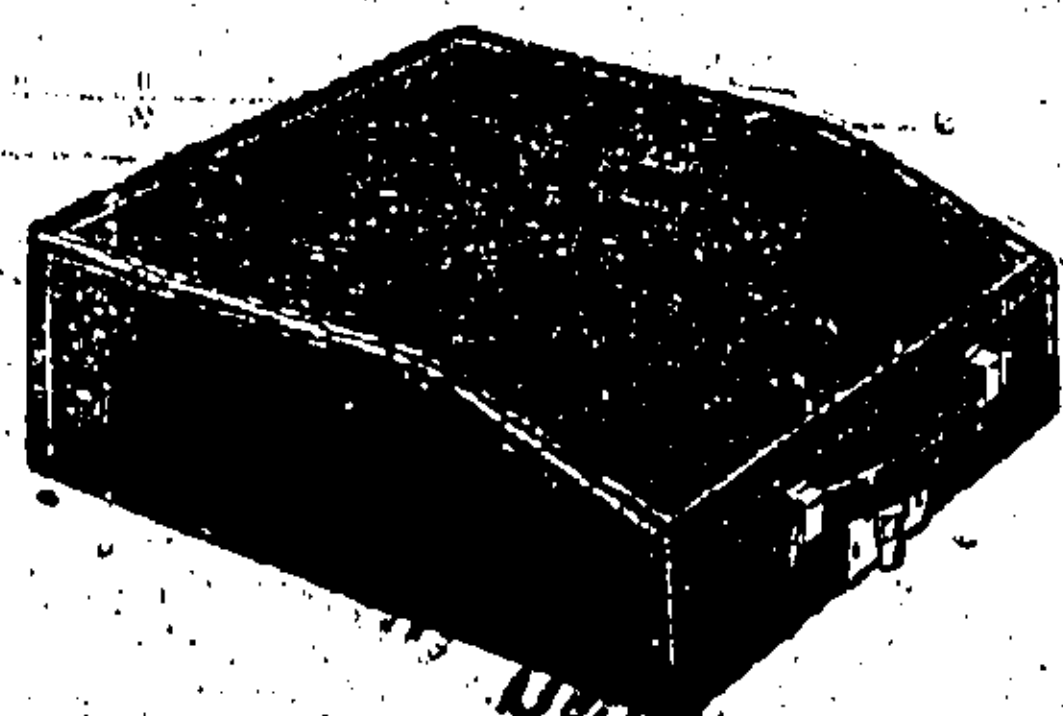
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